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After reading Macmillan's reply TOCAH 208 and your CAHTO 181 the President felt it would be helpful if you told Couve that our thought in suggesting a Western Summit meeting before the President sees Khrushchev was that it would be helpful in showing the continued unity of the Western powers which has been an outstanding result of the Geneva Conference. The President feels that after the understanding which has been reached between you, Couve and Selwyn at Geneva there is not much more to say regarding policy. A Western Summit meeting would primarily serve to publicly indicate that the spirit of unity which has animated the Fon Mins extends also to the highest levels. The President also thought it would be helpful to emphasize once more to Couve that his intention in inviting Khrushchev to Washington was not rpt not to negotiate anything with

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[with him but to give him an opportunity to see the U.S. and to hear directly from the President our rpt our views on basic problems relating to US-USSR relations.

FYI. As Macmillan apparently desires a Western Summit meeting and as we think Adenauer would also be interested in such a meeting I think the President would consider seriously a trip to London to meet with Macmillan and Adenauer if de Gaulle did not wish the meeting to be held in Paris. He might also go to Paris either before or after such a meeting for a day's talk with de Gaulle on bilateral problems. We would very much appreciate your views on how the rather complex situation created by de Gaulle can best be worked out. END FYI.

Murphy yesterday emphasized to Menshikov the desirability of an early announcement. He spoke again today to Menshikov in an effort to meet your goal of an announcement prior to the end of the Geneva meeting.

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